



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 5095***

LCO No. 600

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Referred to Committee on Public Safety and Security

Introduced by:  
(PS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING OFF-TRACK BETTING BRANCH FACILITIES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 12-571a of the 2012 supplement to the general  
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
3 (*Effective October 1, 2012*):

4 (a) The Department of Consumer Protection and the Gaming Policy  
5 Board shall not operate or authorize the operation of more than  
6 eighteen off-track betting branch facilities, except that the department  
7 and the board may operate or authorize the operation of any off-track  
8 betting branch facility approved prior to December 31, 1986, by the  
9 legislative body of a municipality in accordance with subsection (a) of  
10 section 12-572. Any facility approved prior to December 31, 1986, shall  
11 be included within the eighteen facilities authorized by this subsection.

12 (b) The eighteen off-track betting branch facilities authorized by  
13 subsection (a) of this section may include [fifteen] facilities which have  
14 screens for the simulcasting of off-track betting race programs or jai  
15 alai games and other amenities including, but not limited to,  
16 restaurants and concessions, [provided, on and after June 21, 2010, the

17 fifteen facilities that have simulcasting] and, on and after the effective  
 18 date of this section, shall be located in the town and city of New  
 19 Haven, the town of Windsor Locks, the town of East Haven, the town  
 20 and city of Norwalk, the town and city of Hartford, the town and city  
 21 of New Britain, the town and city of Bristol, the town and city of  
 22 Torrington, the town and city of Waterbury, the town and city of  
 23 Milford, the town and city of New London, the town of Manchester,  
 24 the town of Windham, the town of Putnam, [and in] the town and city  
 25 of Bridgeport and three additional locations.

26 (c) The location of each such facility and the addition of  
 27 simulcasting capability to any existing off-track betting branch facility  
 28 that did not previously have such capability (1) shall be approved by  
 29 the commissioner with the consent of the Gaming Policy Board, and (2)  
 30 shall be subject to the prior approval of the legislative body of the town  
 31 in which such facility is located or is proposed to be located.

32 (d) The department shall report annually to the joint standing  
 33 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
 34 relating to legalized gambling on the status of the establishment or  
 35 improvement of the off-track betting branch facility pursuant to this  
 36 subsection.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2012	12-571a

***Statement of Purpose:***

To authorize simulcasting at all of the authorized off-track betting branch facilities.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*